We would love to have you become a USA Swimming Stroke & Turn. Typically, Stroke & Turn officials volunteer to work the sessions that their swimmers are scheduled to swim. Some choose to do only one session per day while others choose to do 2 or more. This year, our goal is to keep the sessions short - typically no more than 2-3 hours each.

As I outlined very briefly in my earlier message, there are several steps to transition from a summer league Stroke & Turn to a USA Swimming Stroke & Turn official. If you became certified this past summer, you very likely attended an approved Stroke & Turn clinic conducted by one of the PVS officials. Can you send me the date that you took the training? I can check with the PVS Official's coordinator to review the rosters from the summer league clinics to determine if you would need to take it again or if it was an approved course.

Here is the outline of the requirements - USA Swimming Stroke & Turn Certification.

## Key items to complete:

- 1. Register as a <u>non-athlete member of USA Swimming</u> and indicate that your club will pay the fee.
- 2. Create an account with USA Swimming.
- 3. Complete the following certification requirements for all Officials <u>How to Become an Official (usaswimming.org)</u>
  - Background Screening save your receipt and forward to me for reimbursement
  - Athlete Protection Training
  - Concussion Protocol Training
- 4. Complete the online Stroke & Turn certification exam,
- 5. Once the above are completed, we can get you scheduled to attend apprentice sessions to complete the necessary sessions.